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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	James T. BODNER et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	9916
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Serial No.:	09/964,307	§	Group Art Unit:	2142
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Filed:	09/26/2001	§	Examiner:	B. A. Ailes
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For:	Reduction Of Configuration	§	Docket No.:	200302220-1
	Time Upon Deployment Of A	§		
	Configurable Device In A	§		
	Shared Resource Environment	§		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the final Office action of August 16, 2005, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.